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Message from the Guest Editors

The number of recreational athletes of both sexes and all age groups engaging in regular exercise training and participating in competitions (e.g., outdoors running races such as half-marathons) has increased during recent decades. This trend might be partially explained by the well-documented beneficial role of exercise for health. However, participating in sports has not been without risk for health, especially for recreational athletes who, unlike competitive runners, lack sport experience and the advantages of specialized and supervised training.

The aim of this Special Issue is to attract papers about the relationship between health and sport participation across all lifestyles with an emphasis on recreational athletes. We encourage submissions of cross-sectional studies on large datasets of endurance athletes focusing on the relationship between performance and health outcomes. In addition, we especially welcome experimental studies that examine the effect of different training programs (varying for volume, intensity, frequency, mode, and recovery) on physiology and pathophysiology. Review articles describing the current state of the art in relevant topics are also welcome.





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